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NAN PATTERSON JURY TRIAL CASE IS A FAILURE

FILIPINOS SLAY 38 U. S. SCOUTS IN AN AMBUSH

2,000 Rebels Threaten Town, Commander Asks Reinforcements.

AN OFFICER WAS KILLED

MANILA, Dec. 22.—(Natives ambushed and killed at Davao, island of Mindanao, and thirty-seven soldiers of the 24th company of native scouts. Two thousand rebels threaten the town of Davao and the situation is critical. Lieutenant Abbott, in command of the scouts, has requested reinforcements.

RUSSIANS BEATEN BACK BY GEN. OKU WITH HEAVY LOSS

GEN. OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, YAMATO, Tuesday, Dec. 22.—The Russian army, the first of General Oku's army in this fight of December 20 made a determined attack on Lanning, but were driven back with heavy loss. The Japanese sustained no casualties. Discouraged Russian cavalry attacked the cavalry on the extreme left of the Japanese line on the night of December 20, but were repulsed with heavy loss.

ELECTS AUSTRIAN ADMIRAL ON NORTH SEA COMMISSION

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The international commission appointed to inquire into the North Sea incident met in the foreign office. Rear Admiral Dettl, United States navy, was present. Commission unanimously elected Admiral Baron von Spinn, of the Austro-Hungarian navy, to chair the commission. The preliminary organization, completed until January 6.

WOMAN, ALONE, BURNED TO DEATH

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Frank A. Stockton, wife of a prominent citizen, was burned to death tonight at her home. The flames burst into the house and found her dead body.

NELSON SAYS MANAGER ROBBED HIM OF \$10,000

TED MURPHY, ARRESTED ON TRAIN BOUND EAST, HAD ALL THE FIGHTER'S MONEY.

Special to Boston American by Boston Leased Wire in World. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—(Nelson says he has been robbed of the \$10,000 he made out of his fight with "Corbett" and "Hill". "My manager, Ted Murphy," said the boxer to the police, "has left the city with all of my money in his grip sack." At midnight the Boston police boarded a train at that city and arrested Murphy and Eddie Santy, the boxer. The manager and the sporting partner when brought to police headquarters applied \$10,000 in bills as a table.

"This is 'Rat's' money, sure," said Murphy. "The money for it for him. (Harris) I cared for his money ever since he became a fighter." A complete investigation for their side was right from San Francisco. Whether they will have to answer for attempted robbery will be a matter for Nelson to settle.

Murphy Left Note.

The first learned of his manager's sudden departure when he found a note from Murphy in his room. It reads: "Nelson, my money is in the safe for Chicago at 10 and 10,000 and a ticket for home." For a while the boxer was dumfounded. He procured a revolver and declared he would start at once in pursuit of his manager. When he realized Murphy was on a railroad train, speeding eastward at 40 miles an hour, he put the gun back in his trunk and returned to the police.

Nelson and Murphy questioned the day after the fight. It was known to the friends of the boxer that he told Murphy that he had no further use for a manager. Both men have been acting as secret for a young woman of the city part of the city. Nelson bought refreshments for the woman at several places on the night he lost to Hill. On Wednesday the woman was in Murphy's company. The men had their falling out that day.

Nelson says: "Murphy had no right to take my money out of my room and start for Chicago with it. I may prosecute him."

for burglary. He mentioned a crime when he entered my room without my knowledge or consent. I will see the district attorney, and unless some satisfactory explanation is made, they will see me in jail awhile."

Britt Coming East.

Britt will probably leave for the east in January, where he will take on the boys there in six round bouts. He stated today that he had a desire to do this, and after a few battles at the six-round limit would go across the pond after Jordan. Jimmy Coffey of the Tennis Club will journey East with Britt.

WILLIS HEADS DELEGATION

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 22.—The Republican members-elect from Concord to the next House of Representatives met and elected Ellen Willis chairman and David H. Foster, Jr., secretary. They intended to call on the Hon. J. N. Reed, of Concord, for speaker. Foster, Jr., of Concord, for speaker. Foster, Jr., of Concord, for speaker.

Jury Stood 7 to 5 for Acquittal of Florodora Girl Accused of Slaying "Caesar" Young--Had Been Out All Night.

By Boston American Leased Wire. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The jury in the Nan Patterson case announced that they are unable to agree upon a verdict and have been discharged. The jury stood 7 to 5 for acquittal.

Early to-day police reserves were sent to the Criminal Court Building to keep the crowds in order. Never before in the history of murder trials have there been such crowds of the idly curious about a court room.

The jury came back in the court at 12:40. The judge had been in the chambers waiting this contingency.

District Attorney Jerome said: "In the event of a disagreement I will make an investigation of how the jury stands. If it is overwhelmingly in favor of acquittal there is a possibility that Nan will never be tried again."

The district attorney left it to be known that he would ask for the dismissal of the indictment rather than put the County to the expense of another trial if the large majority of the jury favored acquittal.

Before being taken to the court room, Nan Patterson almost completely collapsed in her cell in the Tombs. She was drowsy and just been informed that the jury had not reached a definite conclusion. The news struck her like a thunderbolt.

She sank to the floor in semi-consciousness and later became wildly hysterical and roused the prison with her cries of: "My God! I can never face those twelve men again. "Why don't they let me out of this? They know I am innocent. I can not look at them. They want to kill me."

Dr. Levin, the prison physician, was called, the condition of the accused actress being considered extremely serious.

The jury had previously early to-day reported that it could not agree, and had been sent back.

A scene of dramatic tension preceded the announcement. The court room was crowded, the corridors jammed with men and women, and an immense throng waited outside. Nan Patterson's lawyers waited in an ante-room. The District Attorney's staff remained in their offices. Judge Davis waited in his chambers until the jury was ready to enter.

EAGER TO LEARN HER FATE. simultaneously. There was an eager investigator and jury entered the courtroom midst among the throng, promptly subdued.

My court officers. Judge Davis ordered the prisoner brought from the Tombs, and Deputy Sheriff Kelly departed to fetch her, while the lawyers looked on. She walked with a swinging step, hurried and eager as she appeared by Kelly's side. She went straight to her father, kissed him and then dropped into a seat, her gaze searching out the face of every juror, hoping to read her fate. The twelve men, however, looked steadily at Judge Davis.

Clark Penny called the roll, and after an interval of absolute silence said: "Gentlemen, have you agreed upon a verdict?" "We have not," replied the foreman of the jury, Thomas H. Harner.

Foreman Harner explained to the Court that the evidence, just heard, carefully weighed, but some of the members of the jury stand out against all argument and reason.

ADDICKS HERE FOR GAS LEASE

John Edward O'Sullivan Addicks, of Delaware, is in Boston today on business connected with Bay State Gas Corporation. The former president of the Bay State Gas Company came over from New York last night and early to-day was in consultation with local lawyers and financial men. It is stated that his mission was not to seek an explanation from Thomas W. Lawson regarding attacks by the latter upon him, in the Lawson story of "Frenzied Finances." There is little likelihood that the two men will meet.

FINDS HUSBAND HANGING

DENVER, Mo., Dec. 22.—Charles Page of Illinois corner hanged himself in his blacksmith shop and his body was found by his wife when she went to call him to dinner.

Judge Vernon told the jury of the importance of their verdict in a verdict, to save the time and expense of another trial. He asked them to return to the jury room for further deliberation. They were excused but by Captain Lynch of the court squad and again looked on.

Nan Patterson was taken back to the Tombs by Deputy Sheriff Kelly. She was weeping hysterically when she returned by car.

According to statements made, 20 ballots were taken during the night. The last four were taken this morning and showed that the jury was hopelessly split.

Daniel O'Leary, of counsel for Nan, was much depressed and was the only one who seemed to be acquittal while the other 11 understood," he said, "that the jury stand seven for acquittal while the other 11 understand that some punishment be given the girl."

Can Nan not punish herself? she asked what she says. "Home and the Christ-ian boys are not for her."

NEW THEATRE OPENS AT LYNN

LYNN, Dec. 22.—The new Lynn Theatre, pronounced by critics to be the equal of any playhouse in New England outside of Boston, was formally dedicated and opened to the public last night. There was a comfortable audience present. George Pinrose and his minstrel troupe was the attraction.

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SPORTS

BOSTON AMERICAN

BY BITS CORPS OF EXPERTS

JIG STONE TO CLASH WITH JIM BRIGGS

Three more times, Jig Stone, of Boston, and Jim Briggs, of Chicago, will meet in the main hall of the Boston Athletic Club, on Friday night, December 21, at 8 o'clock. The two men have been in the ring before, and the result was a draw. This time, however, the odds are in favor of Briggs, who is a more powerful fighter than Stone.

MCGOVERN SAYS IT'S HIS TURN WITH BRITT

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Terry McGovern, the featherweight champion, who is expected to fight the champion of the world, is said to be in the hands of "Young Britt," when asked his opinion of the Britton fight. McGovern is said to be in the hands of "Young Britt," when asked his opinion of the Britton fight.

MARK GILL, OF THE HUB BOWLING LEAGUE, IN ACTION



This photograph shows Mark Gill, of the Hub team of the City Bowling League, in action. Gill has been putting up a crackjack game for his quintet this season, and what he doesn't do with the pins isn't worth discussing. The photograph was taken by a Boston camera man.

Passing Events IN THE World of Sport

BY A. H. C. MITCHELL.

It is not to be denied that the American team with the Baltimore club, who were expected to win the American League championship, have been defeated by the Washington club of the American League. The Baltimore club, who were expected to win the American League championship, have been defeated by the Washington club of the American League.

BUTLER IS BEATEN BY JACK WILLIAMS

Special to the Boston American. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—Jack Butler was beaten by Jack Williams in a boxing match. Butler was the favorite, but Williams won by a knockout in the eighth round.

EIGHT MILLS ON THE TAPIS FOR TO-NIGHT

Eight fights are on the card for to-night, three of which will take place in Philadelphia. The first fight is between Jack Butler and Jack Williams. The second fight is between Jack Butler and Jack Williams.

"BLACK FITZ" BEAT SAWYER

Special to the Boston American. ROCKLAND, Dec. 21.—The fight between "Black Fitz" and Sawyer took place at the Rockland Athletic Club. "Black Fitz" won by a knockout in the eighth round.

WRESTLER MAY MEET JEFF

Special to the Boston American. PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21.—A wrestling match between Jeff and another wrestler is expected to take place in Pittsburgh. The match is expected to take place in Pittsburgh.

BOWLING IS ONE OF THE OLDEST GAMES NOW IN EXISTENCE

BY TEN STRIKE. MATCHES TO-NIGHT. Bowling is one of the oldest games now in existence. It is a game that has been played for centuries. It is a game that has been played for centuries.

FAST SKATER WILL DRIVE BIG AUTOS

Special to the Boston American. PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21.—A fast skater will drive big autos. The skater is expected to drive big autos. The skater is expected to drive big autos.

BIG BENEFIT FOR YOUNG CAHILL

All the friends of Young Cahill, who is now in the hospital undergoing an operation, are expected to give a benefit for him. The benefit is expected to be given for him.

EDDIE HAMILTON YOST'S AFTER MAY GET BOUT

By Boston American Leased Wire. CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Eddie Hamilton, the fighting champion, is expected to fight Yost's after May. The fight is expected to take place after May.

JACK O'BRIEN MAY BATTLE BOWLING PEER

Special to the Boston American. NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 21.—Jack O'Brien, the bowling champion, is expected to battle a bowling peer. The battle is expected to take place.

WILL BOX FOR THE STRIKERS

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WHEN WILL AUTOS REACH THE LIMIT?

There are many who believe that autos will reach the limit. They believe that autos will reach the limit. They believe that autos will reach the limit.

I CURE MEN

My best reference is not a dollar need be paid until cured. E. B. HERRICK, M. D. 21 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.

LITTLE KATY'S UNCLE

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BOXING RACING AND ALL ATHLETICS

CAMP SOUNDS VIEWS ON HIS NEW RULES

By Boston American Special Writer.
CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Walter Camp, of Yale, and other football experts, were guests at a luncheon given by Everett Wren, and every phase of the football sport was thoroughly discussed. The most important topic that came up was Camp's proposed change in the rules, for the possible gain of ten yards, instead of five, in four downs.

TECH PLAYED POOR HOCKEY

The first hockey game of the season for Technology, played against Stone's School, of the new Tech rink, resulted in a defeat for Tech, 4 to 0. The game was played in the second half. Tech, which was supposed to be a strong team, was completely outplayed in nearly every position, which is probably due to the lack of experience of the players.

REDS TO GET STAR PITCHER

CINCINNATI, Dec. 23.—Although it has been indicated that Orval Overall, the giant pitcher drafted from the Portland Ore. club by the Reds, but later found to be under reserve for that club, would be sent to this city, the Cincinnati Reds, President Harnisch received a letter from Overall, in which he stated that he would not leave his club.

PIRATES SURE OF M'BRIDE

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 23.—Manager Fred Clarke of the Pirates announced today that George F. McBride will surely play with Pittsburgh for the next two seasons. McBride nullified his contract at Milwaukee and followed with it was a letter stating that he is not inclined to play with the Pirates.

KELLY GIVEN DECISION.
Special to the Boston American.
BOSTON, Dec. 23.—A decision was rendered today by Judge J. J. Sullivan, of the Superior Court, in the case of the New York Yankees and the Boston Americans, who had been suing for the return of a player.

SMALL TALK FOR THE BASEBALL FAN

Billy Rogers, business manager of the Boston Nationals, is in favor of taking such youngsters as "Big" Cammie Smith, for giving practice. Cammie showed up well in the game against the Nationals, and the manager, only to come strong at the Nationals.

John Ward, White Knicker, Joe Kelley, "Big" O'Leary and a bunch of ball boys and newspaper men made up a group that discussed the rules during the National League meeting, and favored the change in the rules, which would allow a team to advance for nine bases in four downs.

LYNN'S CRACK ROLLER POLO TEAM PLAYING IN FINE FORM THIS SEASON

These photographs were taken by a Boston American camera man during practice at their rink in Lynn.



WILL BE IN BIG AUTORACE

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—At least five, if not five or more Cleveland automobiles will take part in the great automobile race to be held upon the famous Grandstand-Barnes, Beach, Florida, next month. These cars will be the best of the kind, and will be in the hands of the best drivers of the country.

The Peoples Motor Car Company will send Harry Oldfield in the touring car event. Oldfield will compete in the open class. The Ford car will also send a touring car, while the White Star Car Company will send two cars, the big eight-cylinder power unit, which it built for the Vanderbilt cup, but which was not finished in time for that event, and a touring car.

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GANZEL MAY JOIN BROWNS.

Special to the Boston American.
BOSTON, Dec. 23.—It is said on good authority that John Ganzel, of the New York Highlanders will become a member of the Boston Browns next season. Ganzel has been here for some time, trying to convince the Browns that he is a valuable player.

LANGFORD WON IN THE NINTH

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TECH FIVE LOSSES AGAIN.

The Technology varsity basketball team lost its fourth game of the season, to Worcester Polytechnic Institute by a score of 28 to 25. The game was very close, Tech taking the lead in the first half but losing in the last part of the second half.

PIERCE READY TO PLAY.
The game ends with the American Polo League to consist of one of the best in the country. It was the first seven games without a tie and promises to finish the season with high the level of the first game.

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LYNN POLOISTS IN TRIM

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LORD MARCH TO RACE ON SPEEDWAY

Lord March, one of the fastest horses ever bred at the Village Farm, Buffalo, in Boston, and has just put in an appearance on the speedway. He was purchased for active purposes and is most likely to meet the best of the breed.

ORTHODOX NOT IN FORM YET

Special to the Boston American.
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—Local horse men are wondering when Dick Watkins will show his speed. Watkins is a young horse, but he is not in the best of form yet.

CARDINALS TO PLAY BROWNS

Special to the Boston American.
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Manager Charles Nichols, of the St. Louis National League baseball team, called at the American League office and laid before President Thomas a letter in which he stated that the Cardinals would play the Browns in the next few days.

JULIET MAY BE PUGS' MECCA

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Despite the vetoed threat in the opinion of Corporation counsel Tolson, that bullfights could be made legal in this country, it is believed that the State law prohibiting prizefighting, the bullfights will be made legal in the next few years.

Joe Lacy, the local fight promoter, has announced that he will hold a series of bullfights in the next few months. He has already arranged for the fight of the tiger with the tiger.

Can a Sick Man Have a Merry Christmas?

So, How? Dr. Lougest Answers "Yes"

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HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

50 AND 52 SUMMIT ST., BOSTON, DECEMBER 23, 1904.

Trying to
Please the Dead

Over Nations of the Half Developed
Human Being—Deaths is Called
Stagnation—It Helps Progress

door of the mysterious future that fascinates and awaits us, brings forth the peculiarities of humanity.

Two queer death stories were published simultaneously recently as part of the current news.

A German, living in America, had remembered all his life the girl that in his boyhood he was fond of. He married somebody else, went to raising vegetables on Long Island, saved up ten thousand dollars, and died, apparently, an estimable, COMMONPLACE man.

But he had been thinking constantly of the girl he left in Germany. She, too, had married somebody else, but she had been writing to him, while he had been thinking of her. The market gardener's son was surprised to learn from his father's will that he must cremate the body and send the ashes to the German girl of many years ago.

A curious idea—and it is interesting to reflect upon the emotions of the German "girl," now married and more than sixty years of age, when she receives the neat express package containing the ashes of her former admirer.

Another curious person has roused dislike in the Indian Territory. He is ostracized because he will not let his dead wife rest in her grave. He digs her up at regular intervals, has the dead body bathed, neatly dressed in fresh linen and fresh clothing, and then put back in the grave again.

The first time that he dug up his wife's body, he dressed her in a new, fine silk dress. Several times a few kind-hearted women helped him. But they have stopped helping, and the community has rebelled.

This peculiar husband, it seems, had a quarrel with his wife, and she died in his absence. He is trying now to show her the delicate attentions that were lacking during her lifetime.

A well-known Frenchman—only to his intuitive psychological writer, Henri Poincaré Du Bois, could do justice to him—is mourning bitterly and hopelessly for his wife. He doesn't dig her up, but every evening, instead of putting on his nightgown or pajamas like a Christian, he dresses himself from head to foot in the best clothes of his dead wife, and, thus dressed, sinks into a sentimental, satisfactory sleep.

When Wagner died, his wife, the daughter of Liszt, another very able musician, had a woman's desire to show her grief in some unselfish way. Her hair was very long, very beautiful, and Wagner had always greatly admired it. She cut it all off short, and put it underneath his head, as he lay in the coffin.

It is there now, and, as hair lasts, under proper conditions, for many centuries, it will greatly surprise and mystify the scientists of the future if they find a male skeleton with a very large forehead and a most extraordinary mass of hair underneath the skull. They will probably say that when that man was buried all men had very long, curly and luxuriant hair.

Don't fail to admire the courage of Mrs. Wagner—whatever you think of her judgment. She was brave enough to be a widow with short cropped hair. Women are unselfish.

Death affects us curiously—all of us. And death, like every other universal influence brought to bear upon us by the wisdom that rules us, influences us for our good.

Exceptionally it makes us do foolish things. But it makes us all want to do the best we can—above all, it gives us all a desire to do something unselfish. The poor savage woman cuts her face and arms and breast when she loses her husband. The unhappy wife in India was burned alive with her husband's body.

Some of us in face of death act irrationally, like those spoken of above. Others of a higher type show in their grief how wisely we are ruled.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller, for instance, loses through death a grandchild that he loved. Immediately his good qualities—which we gladly emphasize while attacking his too great capacity for monopoly—assert themselves. "He does not cut himself with knives, or howl, or put on ridiculous mourning."

He decides that he will do what he can to keep OTHERS from the suffering into which HE has been subjected. Since that beloved child had to die, he tries to save the lives of other men's children and grandchildren.

He has established an admirable, beautiful institution for studying and combating the illnesses of children. It is an institution doubly valuable, since our Government and our people collectively are too stupid to do such things for themselves.

And this we owe to the effect produced by the death of one single little child. Nathan Straus loses a beloved son, and in his memory establishes the charity that has saved thousands of children's lives through pure milk.

No man knows what wonders have been worked by the death of children in this world. Mr. Rockefeller could give every penny of his money to help suffering childhood, yet not duplicate the good done in millions of directions—the good deeds done in memory of millions of children. Very marvelously, death, acting on the soul of man, is transmuted into life and happiness for others. Many a child has been treated kindly, many mothers helped, many real sacrifices made by the poor—every day—in the name of some child lost—because the suffering of some living child brings up the memory of another child that has forever escaped from suffering.

Foolish, narrow-minded men, grotesquely egotistical in their ignorance, look upon death as the end of everything, as proof of our low destiny. The foolish atheist sees in it one reason for his denial of a Supreme Cosmic Wisdom.

Supreme, indeed, is the wisdom that makes of death, which robs the individual, a source of happiness to many others. Very beautiful is the wisdom which lifts us up through our afflictions and makes of the selfish, careless, thoughtless individual an agent for good, through inevitable actions.

SANTA CLAUS IN TRUSTLAND

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Simple Santa, terror-stricken,
Saw on every hand
Greedy, grasping Trusts, who held him
Up to beat the band

The Reason for Christmas

By Bishop Mallalieu, of Massachusetts

OF all the babes born into this world, only One has had His Advent announced and celebrated by a choir of holy angels. Every Christmas Day the eyes of all the millions of Christendom turn to Bethlehem in the land of Judea. There, in the manger of a stable lies in quiet repose a new-born Babe.

No jewelled cradle, no costly robes, no elegant surroundings. Instead of all this an abandoned stable, coarsest raiment and a handful of cowbirds stamp the scene had refused to quit, constituting the bed of the little Child, are tokens of uttermost poverty and friendlessness.

But why did the angels sing and why does Christendom celebrate the birth of the Babe of Bethlehem?

For the good and all-sufficient reasons that the angels knew, and we know, that Jesus, the Son of Mary, was the incarnate God, the second Person of the adorable Trinity, who took upon Himself the form of humanity that He might reveal God to man, that He might show us how to live, that He might by His sufferings and death make it possible for a God of infinite holiness and righteousness to open the door of hope to every soul, and at the same time honor and maintain the moral government of the universe.

No wonder the angels sang! No wonder that humanity rejoices! For the Saviour born in most abject poverty in Bethlehem's stable, born on a level with the poorest of mankind, by His divine and all-embracing grace becomes the friend, and helper, and personal Saviour of the most humble and the poorest of earth.

Let the Christmas hymns, the jubilant anthems, the sweetest carols be in every church, in every home, on every tongue the wide world round!

Let the songs of earth's millions mingle with the songs of all the angel host in praise to the Son of God, the Son of Man, the Redeemer of the race.

Two Views

By Clement L. Pollock

FULL of years a rich man died, but ere his spirit passed,

He gave with lavish disregard the wealth he had amassed.

All that he gathered in the years of an unimpaired life;

He scattered wide with feverish hands in the sunset of his life.

With sudden love of learning he had built a college grand,

And knowing naught of books he spread libraries through the land.

Where Charity's hand beckoned he was greeted with large applause,

And from the lips of many men his airy head was blessed.

When he lay mute within the tomb and could no longer give,

Men chafed on a monument: "His name will ever live!"

And then his book of life was read by a more searching eye,

And many things were then disclosed that men did not discern.

Thus strange the guing of his wealth made there such little show

Compared with many entries found as he had seen it grow.

There were the groans of men oppressed by the employer's heel,

And mounds of forsaken women lashed with clearest appeal.

His utter disregard was marked of every human need,

While worshipping with frantic fear the golden god of greed.

Wrote in the book, page after page, three times drear and dark

Deprived his hasty charity of every pleasing spark.

And summing up an angel wrote: "A fortune gained by guilt

Cannot alone blot out the wrong upon which it was built."

Little Editorials from the People

A CHANCE FOR MISS O'CONNOR TO
LAWYER MR. ROCHE.

Editor BOSTON AMERICAN:
In a recent issue of the BOSTON AMERICAN Miss Kate O'Connor, in discussing the case of Mrs. Rogers, argues that a woman should not suffer the death penalty, in fact, be convicted at all of any crime in a community in which women have not all the privileges of citizenship, and having no vote in the making of laws, also having no objection of those who administer and execute them.

But, according to this line of argument, either should make under twenty years of age, or the thousands of aliens (like myself, who have no such voice, the citizens of any crime.

This course, would be ridiculous. Miss O'Connor also states that the taking of women, could be, and should be, a crime, and that women would deal justly with the "chickadee" who is a street-wise, and against granting women the rights of citizenship, but the duties of which they are apparently unfit to perform.

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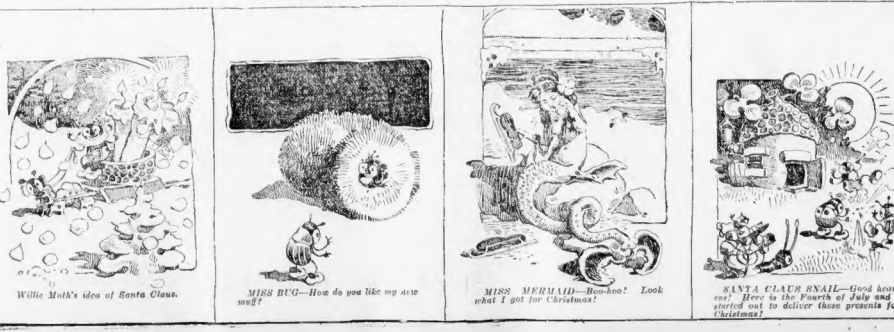
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MRS. HAMMER MEETS MRS. CROWBAR



1. MRS. HAMMER—I was so worried last night.
Mrs. Hammer was detained at the office and didn't get home until nearly 2 o'clock.
MRS. CROWBAR—That's strange! Mr. Crowbar was out late, too, and he told the same story. I wonder if they were together.

CHRISTMAS IN BUGVILLE



Willie Moth's idea of Santa Claus.

MRS. BUG—How do you like my new wig?

MRS. MERRILL—Bumboo? Look what I got for Christmas!

SANTA CLAUS NAIL—Good afternoon! Here to the Fourth of July and I've stayed out to deliver these presents for Christmas!

MRS. GOLDBRICK.